MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: May I know whether copies of the Press note are available to the members of the House?

MR. K. J. CHERIYAN (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir,

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: Have such copies been sent to the members of the House?

MR. K. J. CHERIYAN: No. Sir.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: On a point of order, Sir. The answer says—

"The member is referred to the recent Press Note dated 22nd February 1938....."

But, we have not been furnished with the copies of the Press Note.

PRESIDENT: The answer is irregular; it ought to have been followed with the sentence "Such Press Note is placed on the table.". Such mistakes will not recur in future.

*Pay-ward attached to the Quilon District Hospital.*

347. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a pay-ward attached to the Quilon District Hospital; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, whether they have taken any steps to supply the need for a pay-ward?

MR. R. KRISHNASWAMI RAO: (*a*) No.

(*b*) This will be considered when the question of reorganisation of hospitals is taken up.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: When will the reorganisation be made?

MR. R. KRISHNASWAMI RAO: A general reorganisation is under consideration but it will be of interest to the honourable members to know that, arrangements have been made for the shifting of the out-patient ward of the Victoria Hospital to the neighbouring Bank Building, so that the place now occupied by the out-patient ward will be converted into pay-ward.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether the reorganisation referred to in part (*b*) of the answer relates to a general reorganisation of all the hospitals in the State or of this Quilon hospital alone?

MR. R. KRISHNASWAMI RAO: A general reorganisation of all the hospitals in the State is under consideration; the reorganisation of this Quilon hospital has already been taken up.

*Medical examination of persons appointed to the Government Service.*

348. *MR. A. THANU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether medical examination is conducted in the case of all persons appointed to the Government service; and

(*b*) whether any such examination was conducted in the case of late Mr. T. S. Narayana Aiyar, High Court Judge, before he was entertained in Travancore service, if so, who conducted the examination?

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